Their Old Campaigns.

THE LIGHT DIVISION. Their Charge at Marye's Hights.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Noticing the article in The National Tribune of Sept 13

(Spear) was killed at the swamp while getting | 1867, to Appointatox, 1865.

of battle, with two companies of the 5th Wis. deployed as skirmishers, the whole led by Col. T. S. Allen, of the 5th Wis. Those two regiments had been together from July, 1861, and

We marched from below through the town just at daybreak, and were huddled into a small depression that had been excavated for some purpose. Our left was at the right of the road leading to the left of the hill. Our line was in front of and nearly parallel to the road, with a stone wall and ditch on its lower side, which went to the right of the hill. Above this road was a line of earthworks, with, I think, embrasures for seven guns, connected and flanked by breastworks for infantry. At the rear of this battery was the cemetery, inclosed with brick walls. Between us and the read with stone wall and ditch was a comparatively smooth and level plain, 10 to 20 rods wide, obstructed with several buildings.

After we were in place we were directed to leave everything we could except our arms, gud were told that a force had been sent a short distance to the right as a feint to draw the encmy's attention, and that when we should hear musketry-firing in that direction sharp and fierce, we-that is, the two companies of the 5th Wis. as skirmishers and the 6th Me. in line of battle-had to carry that hill. The writer that day was one of the 6th Me.

color-guard. Our orders were, on hearing the signal, to rush for the center of the opposing battery; to keep well closed to the colors; the skirmishers, after drawing the enemy's fire, to file up and go in with the main line; not a man to fire till we were over the first line. We were not then, nor ever after, given any instructions what to do in case we were repulsed.

The balance of Col. Burnham's command was massed under cover to our left and rear. Soon and at once exchanged compliments with the batteries on the hill in front of us, From where we lay it looked as if both sides were aiming directly at us, or were trying to see

how low they could fire without touching us. I will not say how long this lasted. Every man hugged mother earth as never before, and waited. Cannon roared, shells screamed. We groveled and waited. Nine o'clock, 10 o'clock, when, bark! Another kind of roar-the longwaited but dreaded signal was heard. We started; at once all were equal, and were so treated by the enemy-food for shot and shell, not officers and privates.

Part of us reached the top of the hill. One hundred and tweaty-seven of the 6th Me .over one-third-stopped on the way. Many of them knew no pain. Some of them are now officers now fare better than do the privates.

Many of the enemy were induced to stay with us. Some we had to labor with, even kill, before they seemed willing to do so. Some got away, how many I cannot say. How many I was always well convinced that there were saw men killed with the bayonet or clubbed | scription was this; musket.

Col. Burnham was not a man who would put

Comrade Robiuson does not name Col. Burnadgment dated April 27, 1884.

I do not want to claim or take any honor away from the 61st Pa, or any other command. on a piece of one's coat was found this badge, I hat regiment might have done more than is | which was given her by the officer in charge. nere claimed for Col. Burnham's command, but at a different place or time.

I have not access to any books or records; Iving who know more of the day in question, back across the river at Banks's Ford?

lorsville and Gettysburg has not yet been properly told. Will some one do the duty? We of the ranks simply know that we went where and did all that "Uncle John" ever asked, in full confidence that what he commanded of Aug. 16 I noticed a communication from W. was right and must be done. We never disap- | L. Birney pretending to correct a statement pointed him, and he never disappointed his made by Maj. J. J. Weiler in regard to the superiors.-GEO, F. PEAKS, Co. B, 6th Me, death of Col. Washington, near Elk Water, W.

Parker's Crossroads.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: In your issue of Sept. 20 Comrade Perry W. Lewis, Co. H. 27th Ohio, gives his version of the battle of Parker's Crossroads, or Red Mountain (should be Red Mound).

The battle was fought on the 31st day of December, 1862, and not on the 30th, as stated by Comrade Lewis. The forces engaged on bur side were the 39th Iowa, 50th Ind., 122d Ill., three guns of the 7th Wis. battery, and 40 mounted men of the 18th Ill. The opposing forces, under the rebel Gen. N. B. Forrest, were from 6,000 to 8,000 cavalry and mounted infantry and 18 pieces of artillery. Our forces engaged, all told, numbered about 1,540 men in line, and commanded by Col. Cyrus L. Dunham, of the 50th Ind.

I think Comrade Lowis is surely incorrect when he states that "the timely arrival of the 27th and 39th Ohio and 7th Wis, battery saved Dunham's Brigade from being captured."

ham's Brigade he would have to do so before the other forces acting in concert with it could arrive on the ground. This he attempted to do by charging simultaneously both flanks and rear, keeping his artillery in our front with proper support. These charges were successfully repulsed before any reinforcements came to our assistance, and before the Ohio Brigade, or any part of it, had arrived or were in sight anywhere. After the charges had failed Gen. Forcest was trying to let go with all his might, and when our reinforcements arrived Forrest's command was in greater confusion and disorder than Dunhum's, and he (Ferrest) had commenced to withdraw his forces from the battlefield before the arrival of our reinforgements. Of course he knew of their nearness, but he

was defeated before their arrival. The 122d Ill. (of which I was a member) lost 80 men killed and wounded. I would be pleased to know from Comrade Lewis how many men the Ohio Brigade lost in that battle. Then we can form some idea just how far they

got into the fight. In short, I claim that Gen. Forrest was defeated and was withdrawing his troops from the field when the Ohio brigade appeared in sight, they coming up in his (Forrest's) rear .-I. A. TAYLOR, Co. H, 122d Ill., Hartford, Kan,

Woman's Work.

There is no end to the tasks which daily confront the good housewife. To be a successful housekeeper, the first requisite is good health. How can a woman contend against the trials | pound Oxygen, Mrs. ISAAC M. REED." and worries of housekeeping if she be suffering from those distressing irregularities, ailments | ing the cilect of Compound Oxygen on invalids and weaknesses peculiar to her sex? Dr. suffering from consumption, asthma, bronchitis, Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a specific for dyspepsia, catarrh, hay fever, headache, debilthese disorders. The only remedy, sold by ity, rheumatism, neuralgia; all chronic and druggists, under a positive guarantee from the nervous disorders. It will be sent, free of manufacturers. Satisfaction guaranteed in charge, to any one addressing Drs. STARKEY &

VINDICATED AT LAST.

The 2d Ed. at Chancellorsville. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNG: Inclosed you What Our Veterans Have to Say About | correcting an error into which historians have been misled by some of the official records concerning the battle of Chancellorsville, which Gen. Doubleday has had the sense of fairness to correct concerning the 3d Md.: to its good name by the action of Gen. Doubleday, the author of "History of Chancellersville and Gettysburg," published by Scribner, which is recognized by old soldiers as a standard work on the

suffect of those two important battles.
Turough a misapprehension the 3d Md. had been blamed by some officers for the defeat of the Union by James Robinson, allow me for the 6th Me. | forces on May 3, 1853, who reported that they had to say that the charge he describes as being been driven by the enemy from their works, which made by the first Pa. could not have been the when the truth was they retired under first when the truth was they retired under Gen. same or to have taken place at same time as Hocker's orders before the enemy advanced, and that claimed for the Light Division, Sixth thus created a gap in the line through which the Corps, on Marye's Hights, May 3, 1863. If so, Comrade Robinson and I could not see alike.

He says the 61st Pa., with Co. K on its left, and Gen. Doubleday made haste to correct the mistake by which the reputation of the regimistake by which the reputation of the regimade the principal charge of Pratt's Light Di- ment suffered which had never brought disgrace

The regiment enjoys the unique distinction of ready to charge up the hill, and that a member of Co. K was among the first to scale the works ame time followed Grant across the Rapidan. Part of way they acted. He said they was they acted. He said they was a time followed Grant across the Rapidan. Part of way they acted. He said they was a side they was a side to said they was a side to where the Washington Battery was captured. | was selected by Gen. Hooker as his body-guard, The assaulting party of our Light Divis- while that in the East won the praise of Gen. Hanion, Sixth Corps, Cel. Hiram Burnham com- cock upon the field of battle and received from him manding, was composed of the 6th Me, in line a letter of thanks for having saved his guns at the

> belonged, viz, the order of Gen. Hooker to re- curring in distant parts of the field. tire behind the batteries.

Having secured this vindication from Gen, place our regiment right upon the record and not allow it to be made the scapegoat for the error of others

and do not appear as a witness.

me to suggest that he was trying to com-Doubleday's map of May 3, page 45.) This I take as the reason why he gave orders

to fire upon any one that approached in the direction from which he went out, as he did not expect to return that way, but to continue to move towards Anderson's troops. Such orders would indicate that he was not going to reconnoiter the enemy in his front, of whose position he had fully learned before dark. He had received a check in his movement, and knew if he did not make connection with Lee, that if he had assumed the aggressive in force next | shall have answered to the last roll-call morning instead of assuming a passive defense. Oh, for a Grant or Sherman on that occasion .-Joseph F. Carter, Captain, 3d Md., Dorsey's,

Relics from the Wilderness.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I have a badge in my possession that I would like to learn something about. The badge is the shape of the U. S. shield, gold-plated, with the words "National Union League." I came by it in this way: Last Winter, while in Virginia, I drawing from Uncle Sam a few cents a day in | visited the Wilderness battlefield-that part full payment for the pieces of legs, arms, etc., known as the "Burnt District," about two lost en route. The equality has ceased, and the | miles east of Parker's Store, on the Orange plank road. I found quite a number of bullets, a Mississippi rifle-barrel, gua butt-plate, a large dirk, or "Arkansas toothpick," as they are called, and various other mementoes in going through the woods. I inquired of a lady, were in front of us at first I never knew, but | Margaret Tapp (a daughter of the man by that name who lived here during the war), for enough of them. It was the only time I ever | relics. She showed me this badge, and her de-

The second day of the battle her father, mother and herself were obliged to flee, the another regiment where he would not put his ground around their house being occupied by a portion of A. P. Hill's Division of Lee's army. After the battle they came back as soon as it ham, but speaks only of Pratt's Light Divis- | was safe, all the dead having been buried (or ion. Gen. Doubleday, in his book, "Chancel. | all that could be found). However, they found lorsville and Gettysburg," mentions it as two Union men, dead, within a few feet of each "Light Brigade, Sixth Corps, commanded by other. Knowing that they would not be found, Col. Burnham, of the 5th Mass." I called his | she threw some dirt over them. In 1867 (I attention to the error, and have his acknowl. | think she said) the dead of the Wifderness were taken up and buried elsewhere by the Government. She pointed out these two, and

The two were unknown, and are buried as such in the National Cometery at Fredericksburg. Can you or any of the comrades tell me timply relate what I saw. There are those yet | anything of this badge? Was it some local society? I think not by its name. Or an orand can tell it better. Will not they do so? ganization among the soldiers? I cannot find Who will write about this same Light Divis- | the name of any such society now, nor anyone ion's part on the night of May 4, before getting | who knows anything about it. Please tell me what you can of it. I should be pleased to re-Sedgwick's part in the campaign of Chancel. | ceive information from any soldier regarding it.-Robert M. Hartley, Amsterdam, N. Y.

Death of Col. John A. Washington.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: In your issue

Va., in September, 1861. Birney starts out by accusing the Major of making a false statement. But we will see who made the false statement before we get through. The following are the unvarnished facts in the case; On the September afternoon in question Capt. George W. Stough, with his company (E, 17th Ind.), was ordered out to make a reconnoissance toward Gen. Lee's camp. When well outside of our picket-lines Capt. Stough detailed Serg't J. J. Weiler and 10 men for advance-guard. The Sergeant, in command of his guard, moved forward promptly, but had not gone more than about 40 yards when three rebel officers made their appearance, and received a volley from the advance-guard, which brought Col. Washington from his horse, mortally wounded, not more than 35 or 40 yards distant from the company. Orderly-Serg't C. J. Ward went to where the Colonel fell, and, with the assistance of others of the company, brought the Colonel to the company. We soon provided a stretcher, placed the Colonel upon it and started back to camp. The Colonel was very badly wounded, and died on the way. His remains were conveyed to truce. The foregoing is a true statement of the facts made by one who was present with the company on that occasion, -DAVID GAR-VER, Captain, Co. E, 17th Ind.

A Talisman. Treatment by inhalation observes that prime rule of success-it begins right. That is to say, it does not attempt to usurp the prerogatives of nature, but simply urges and gives durability to her more kindly moods. Here are some witnesses to testify to the truth of this state-

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FOR CONSIDERATION.

Let Comrades Tell Only What They Actually Saw. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I have read will find an extract from the Baltimore Herald the major part of the many articles which have tained much that was historically true. I am | and depot at Andersonville. The 3d Md. has recently secured the justice due | very sorry, however, and disgusted as well, to | Like Mr. Feaga, I met plenty of people in see on the part of many a disposition to mag- Georgia that never had heard of Andersonville,

from any reliable data. It is not to be expected that men from com- I had 60 miles farther to go. Arrived safely, and soldiers (or of officers either, for that matter) other. No one volunteered. At last Mr. Brywision on that point, and that its Colonel upon the State of Maryland from Cedar Mountain, to be in such position as to be able to give from ant, who had charge of the cemetery, came to This action on my part arose from an article | command or the disposition of all the troops on | times with visitors, and never saw anything. in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE on the same sub- a battlefield covering a large area, he simply This was on the 10th of December, 1884, as ject from the pen of Gen, Howard, to which my | writes himself an egotistical ass. It is a fact | warm as a Summer day. I found the spring attention was called, and when I discovered the | well known to any man who served in the field | located as so often described, then surrounded cavalry and the Sixth Corps, "they understood same in Doubleday's history, and saw that that for any length of time that no soldier, except by a little wooden curb, at the roots of a pine battle was virtually lost by the action of the 3d | in very rare cases, if in his own proper place, | tree, long since fallen nearly across the spring. Md., I determined to put the blame where it | could possibly know personally what was oc- It had washed out a place until the bank

by the "Boy Spy," although I was "not thar," | could have made all necessary provision before-Spy" as to what Stonewall was doing out | been sent by the Commander-in-Chief just in front of his lines on that occasion, allow when and where needed; of course, arriving "just in the nick of time." Thus those battles municate with Gen. Anderson's troops on which to the Northern arms proved defeats his right and form connection so as to co-ope- | could have been turned into victories, the war rate together in the morning, and to do so had | would have ended much sooner, and many entered the woods, and would have to cross the | valuable lives would have been saved. With front of Gen. Williams's Division, of the Twelfth | this view of the case, these men are virtually Corps, and naturally received their fire. (See responsible for thus prolonging the war and the consequent terrible sacrifice of blood and

> Comrades, is it not about time to call a halt in this matter of Flag-planting? Getting There First? Who Retook DeGress's Battery? What Troops Occupied the Ridge at Chickamauga or particularly this knowing all that happened or which ought to have happened?

What each of you actually saw or experienced his detached force was in great peril from a at any time during your service every person, concentration against him of Hooker's superior | certainly every old soldier, will be glad to read teries were placed some distance in our rear, freeze which the latter could have performed what Pope attempted at Bull Run, viz, it-all" sort of stories. Don't attempt to tell storm, so often spoken of by the soldiers, and a hospital across the river, and thought as he to destroy him before Lee could support him, what you know nothing about. There is He was in greater peril than he was at the enough of truth to be written-truth which former place, being completely isolated from | will injure no one-to occupy the spare time | the main army and at the mercy of Joe Hooker, | of all until the "youngest soldier of the war"

There is an official record, perhaps not entirely correct in all cases, as it was utterly impossible sometimes to get at the strict truth, but nevertheless the record; and all the statements made from memory, after the lapse of 25 years, will amount to very little as opposed to reports written at the time they occurred. You who kept diaries or written records can write understandingly of what occurred in your immediate vicinity, while these who at this late day write from memory only might in nine cases out of ten better save their stationery (and their reputation), for much of what they write is historically not worth the paper upon which it is written. If history is orth anything, if the truth is better than a ie, then the matter should stop where it is. Comrades, for nearly five years we were

making history which was not a lie; a history of which every man who fought on the part of the North should be proud; a history during the formation of which every man engaged, whether private soldier or Commander-iu-Chief, was expected to do, and generally did, their duty, whether that duty was to support some important point, but where really there was but little fighting; or to stand the heavy charge, or to make the counter-charge where it was supposed the work would be the lightest. The changing tide of battle many times made the opportunities when and where least expected, and the troops who were found at their post and remained there, whether called upon to do anything or not, are the ones who did their whole duty, whether they planted any flags, took any batteries, or get there first. Where all did well, who shall say who were best? Let this be understood, the duty of all consisted in performing whatever was required, whether it

were much or little. Comrades, in the words of that illustrious man, once our Commander-in-Chief, once our comrade, but who now has "crossed to the other side," and who, whether he "got there first" or not, generally staid after he got there, 'Let us have peace."-N. J. NICHOLS, Co. G.

2d Vt., Honda, Republic of Colombia, S. A. Ayer's Pills are purely vegetable, perfectly safe, do not gripe and are a splendid tonic.

The 51st Pa. [Copied from Capt, Parker's History of the Regiment.]

Was organized at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 28, 1861. Re-enlisted as veterans Jan.

1, 1864. Field and Staff officers: J. F. Hartrauft, Colonel; Thomas S. Bell, Lieutenant-Colonel; Edwin Schall, Major; J. J. Freedley, Quartermaster; J. P. Hosak, Surgeon; J. D. Nobles, Assistant Surgeon; D. P. Bible, Adjutant; D. G. Mallory, Chaplain. Original number of men mustered from Sept.

29, 1861, to July 27, 1865: Field and Staff, 33: Co. A, 227; B, 174; C, 195; D, 219; E, 182; F, 210; G, 230; H, 236; I, 189; K, 197; total Killed and died of wounds, 73; died of dis-

ease, 80; died in captivity, 33; died by accident, 12; total deceased, 314. Wounded, 291; captured, 76; discharged, 623; transfer, 203; resignation, 19; desertion, 123; missing, 4; absent, sick and in arrest, 55; total casualties,

Battles: Roanoke Island, Feb. 7 and 8, 1862; New Berne, March 13 and 14, 1862; Camden, N. C., April 19, 1862; Bull Run, Va., Aug. 29 and 30; Chantilly, Va., Sept. 1, 1862; South Mountain, Md., Sept., 14, 1862; Antietam, Md., Sept. 17 and 18, 1862; Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 12, 13 and 14, 1862; Vicksburg, Miss., June 13 to July 4, 1864; Jackson, Miss., July 8 to July 18, 1863; ville, Tenn., Nov. 17 to Dec. 5, 1863; Wilderness, Va., May 6, 1864; Spottsylvania, Va., May 12 and 14, 1864; Cold Harbor, May 31 to June 3, 1864; Petersburg, June 16 to June 20, 1864; Mine, July 30, 1864; Yellow Tavern, Aug. 19, Run, Oct. 27, 28 and 29, 1864; Petersburg, Nov. 29, 1864, to April 2, 1865.

Skirmishes: Kelley's Ford, Rappahannock, Warrenton, Sulphur Springs, Upperville, Fairfax Courthouse, 1862; Big Black and Jackson, Miss., 1863; Loudon, Lenoir, Rutledge, Blaine Crossroads, Tenn., 1863; Poplar Grove, Bethesda Church, Peeble's Farm, Ream's Station, Weldon Railroad, 1864, and many others. Transportation and marches: Railroads 3,311

miles; water 5,390 miles; marches 1,738 miles; total 10,439 miles. The number of men killed and died of disrect on account of incomplete returns of com-

could they all be reported. As a regiment for service in the field and battle it was not surpassed, and was equaled by air we breathe be just as free if we state that rapid development of the country that I have few; commencing in North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Mississippi, and ending with | icksburg in December, 1862. Life is short, and Gen. Grant's memorable campaign in Virginia | we have no cause to feel otherwise than proud members, of which I am Quartermaster. I and the surrender of Gen. Lee. Boys of the of the service rendered by the 50th N. Y. En- | would be glad to give any of my comrades full old Reno and Second Brigade, Second Division. Ninth Corps, let's hear from you .- JOHN J.

SCHOLL, Co. F, 51st Pa., Brenham, Tex. Consumption Surely Cured.

To the Editor:—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for Consumption. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy PREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their Express and P. O. Address. Respectfully, T. A. SLOCUM, M. C., 181 Pearl St., N. Y.

"A \$2 Washing Machine Free,"-To introduce them we will give away 1,000 self-operating wash-

PROVIDENTIAL SPRING.

A RECENT VISIT TO ANDERSONVILLE. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Having read the major part of the many articles which have appeared in your valuable paper during the ville, Providential Spring, etc., one by W. R. past year from the different correspondents | Wilkins and another by Wm. Feaga, please let East, West, North and South ; some of them | me tell them through your columns what was with a great deal of interest, because they con- told me by the old man, who keeps the postoflice

nify their own services and that of their imme- | and when I bought my ticket in Chattanooga diate commands at the expense of other com- the agent did not know there was such a place, mands and of the truth in many cases. I am and could only sell me one as far as Macon. I willing to give most of these the benefit of the | told him he surely must know of the place, as doubt and to believe that they do not willfully | it had a worldwide reputation. He said he misstate or misrepresent what they write about, | believed he had heard there was a military but that they write from memory only and not | prison there during the war. I bought my ticket to Macon, and there found

mands occupying positions long distances apart | inquired for a boy to escort me to the historical should have seen the same events or that they spot. They were a wild, uncouth-looking set should give the same account of the same bat- about that depot, and on learning where I tle; for it falls to the lot of very few private | wanted to go looked frightened at me and each their own actual knowledge an exact account my relief and sent a boy to me. After leaving each command may have known at the time | go over there; they often heard ugly noises what occurred in their own immediate front; and saw fearful sights, such as fire and swords but when a private soldier who was with his | whizzing through the air. But he had lived regiment attempts to give the position of each | there a year, and had been on the ground many above it and its sides were about three feet In reading some of these accounts one is led | high, and from it to the swamp below quite a to wonder why the foreknowledge of the gully was worn away. I sat down by the Doubleday, I think you will not hesitate to writers could not have been utilized by the spring and ate my lunch, and drank of its pure, Commanders-in-Chief. Why did not these men | cold waters in remembrance of the thousands let it be known that they could tell what was | who starved and died there. At that time only | Prisons. happening or was about to happen at any or | five of the logs of the stockade or wall were The 3d Md. does not lay any claim to having all points? The commander of an army in standing; all had rotted down or been reshot Stonewall Jackson, but when you can- such a case could have remained quietly and | moved. After resting awhite I went to the sider the case, please remember that the 3d Md. | safely in his quarters, have been informed just | cometery, a most beautiful one, surrounded by was located in the immediate vicinity described | how and when every event was to happen, and | a stone wall, and a mound in the center, where stood a tall staff, from which floated the flag hand. There would have been no need to send | for which the thousands who laid there in With reference to the query of the "Boy | couriers for reinforcements; they would have | silence gave up their lives. Mr. Bryant, the gentlemanly keeper of this city of the dead, kindly escorted me through the grounds, and with a feeling of sadness I often noticed the little white slabs with a number and the word 'Unknown" the only inscription.

I returned early to the depot, and found the old man who keeps it alone and very sociable. I inquired how long he had been there. He said that he came there with his parents when a child, long before any settlement was made there; had kept the depot and postoffice since before the war; was not in the war, as it was necessary for someone to remain there. As to thing regarding his father's service. the Providential Spring Le said when they came there the spring was there, and formed a Peach Tree Creek? Who Did the Fighting at | small lake, large enough for fish and other Cedar Creek? on to the end of the chapter; | water inhabitants, It was a favorite watering place for deer and other wild animals. For some unknown cause the lake sunk away and slight shock of earthquake, the spring was reopened. However, he would not dispute the interposition of Providence in favor of the prisoners confined there,-MARY A. HOVEY, Corresponding Secretary, T. J. Stanley W.R.C., Lower Salem, O.

5th Ohio Cav.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: In your issue of Aug. 9 Mr. L. D. Immell speaks of a sword in his possession once the property of a 5th Ohio cavalry officer. That fight was at Lexington, Tenn., with Forrest, Dec. 18, 1862, and I was Bugler of the command. Saw the officer go down, the only one; that was captured that day, except Bob Ingersoll, and he brought his sword into camp the next day. So it must have belonged to the other officer. I was within 10 feet of Ingersoll when he was taken prisoner, and a few minutes after I saw the other man, of whom I would not like to say much about, for he and I always could agree upon one question; and that was, that neither of us cared anything about meeting with the kind of hospitality generally received in that section, Twelve days later, fighting most of the time, we caught them at Parker's Crossroads, recaptured all the cannon lost on the 18th and many prisoners. I saw 32 Johnnies and two officers go down at one volley, and we found several wounded and a Lieutenant hid in a cellar.

I have heard lots of blowing about brave men, but I always tried to have some other business when there was a chance to meet the enemy. I despised them, and didn't care to have anything to do with them. I remember a desperate charge we made on a rebel fort the evening before the fight. We took 22 prisoners (hogs). I also remember when the boys shot at the gray horse all one forenoon and failed to get him down; but next morning we found him by the roadside with half his head gone.

Where is Bill Bingle? Let him tell how he tried to hide behind a sapling and got a bullet through his pantaloons below his waist behind. cutting a gash 12 inches long and two inches deep. I was nearly killed that day. After I was captured I hid in the bushes, and rode 28 miles by myself to get to a place of safety. I've got | upon the ramparts of Fort De Russey during a rebel flag, but, crippled as I am, I would like to see a man big enough to take it from me .- near Decatur, Ind. He has increased in weight C. W. H. STEARN, Co. D, 5th Ohio Cav., Green- to 170 pounds, and would be pleased to see any

An Excellent Remedy.

They were returning from the theater. "I am troubled with a slight sore throat, Miss Clara," he said, "and I think it would be wise if I should button my coat tightly around my neek,"
"I would, indeed, Mr. Sampson," replied the girl with some concern. "At this season of the year a sore throat is apt to develop into something seri-Are you doing anything for it?" "Not so far," he replied; "I hardly know what

"I have often heard papa say," wisely suggested the girl, "that the K-Wren Remedies have a very soothing and beneficial effect upon such a trouble.

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EDITOR NATIONAL TEIBUNE: THE NATION-AL TRIBUNE has recently contained articles pro and con relative to the services of the 50th N. Y. Engineers at Fredericksburg in December, 1862. The living heroes of that regiment who have read the articles, no doubt, think some one should write a brief history of its service from July, 1861, to June, 1865, for pub-Gen. Forrest knew that if he captured Dun- Gen. Leo's camp the next day under a flag of Campbell Station, Tenn., Nov. 16, 1863; Knox- lication in The National Tribune, for the guidance of the impartial historian of the future.

Comrade Thompson, of the battalion of Regular Engineers, deserves our thanks for placing on record the very interesting descrip-1864; Weldon Railroad, Aug. 21, 1864; Hatcher's | tion of the lonely picket of the Rappahannock who flourished a blazing brand around his head as a signal that the terrible Regulars were unloading their pontoons. "It is a pity this information was not given in time to have been published, sketch and all, iff Harper's Pictorial

History of the War. Comrades of the 50th N. Y. Engineers, some of you probably remember reading the lengthy editorial in the New York Herald in August. 1862, stating that the 15th N. Y. Engineers laid | and bound to advance in value. The State is fast the bridge on the Chickahominy over which the army crossed when we left the Peninsula, when in fact a battaffon of the 50th N. Y. Enease is about correct. The wounded in incor. | gineers, assisted by the Regular Engineers, did | the work. The 15th N. Y. Engineers never from experience, as I camped for two years

pany registers, and would be nearly double | saw the bridge. stars in the flag will shine as bright and the an improvement and so fair a prospect for the 8th Conn. laid the bridges opposite Fredergineers, and proud of the record of every man who wore the blue, whose trials and final triumph made what 'we behold to-day-a Repub- come. lic, free, prosperous and great.-F. B. WIL-LIAMS, 50th N. Y. Engineers, National Military Home, Leavenworth, Kan.

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Information Asked and Given.

C. C. Davis, Cos. L and M, 9th and 11th Tenn. Cav., Thula, Tenn., writes: "I see that the present Congress has passed a bill allowing a man by the name of Dickerson or Dickinson at Knoxville, Tenn., \$95,000 or \$195,000 for cotton taken by Gen. Burnside in the siege of Knoxville, Tenn., in November, 1863, for defenses. Now, what I want to know is, do any of the comrades who were in that siege remember of seeing a bale of cotton used for breastworks? I was in the siege of Knoxville, and was all over the place, and I don't remember of seeing or hearing of a bale of cotton being used for these defenses. Speak up, comrades, in the old Na-TIONAL TRIBUNE and tell whether you ever saw any cotton used there. I hope Col. Matson and King Grover the First will be laid in the

shade in November." D. D. Kidd, Co. I, 124th N. Y., Newburg, N.Y., having seen the article by C. P. Nash, Brattleboro, Vt., regarding the insanity of one Robert Buffam, supposed to be one of the party who captured the locomotive, says that Robert Buffum came to Newburg about 20 years ago, purchased a pistol and shot the father of the oung man alluded to by Comrade Nash through the head. Comrade Kidd was on the Coroner's jury, and is giving the facts as they occurred. Buffum gave himself up, was put in jail and tried to kill himself by butting out his brains against the walls of his cell. He was sent to the Lunatic Asylum, and finally committed suicide. His trouble and insanity were undoubtedly brought on by his treatment in rebel

A. H. Clark, Orange, Cal., would like to hear from any comrade who was a member of the company first known as the Kane Co. Ill. Cav., who were mustered out as Co. H, 15th Ill. Cav., at Little Rock, Ark., in August, 1864. Should any member of the company see this, and can give him the addresses of Frank Clark, John Beebe, Charles Buckner, Cain Hill or J. C. Carey, they will confer a great favor.

J. W. Simpson, Rosemont, Kan., says he has long been a reader of THE NATIONAL TRIB-UNE, and, although not a soldier, is the son of a man who yielded up his life in defense of his country in Andersonville Prison. His father was a member of Co. K, 53d Pa., and was captured in the Wilderness. He was too young to remember him, and knows but little regarding his service. He would be much pleased if some member of the 53d Pa. would write something about that regiment, or tell him some-

J. M. Hobson, Co. A, 50th Ind., Winterset, Iowa, says, in answer to Serg't Sherley, Co. D, 9th Wis., who asked where Gen. Steele was at the battle of Jenkins Ferry, April 30, 1864, that he saw the General on the north side of the river about 11 o'clock, surrounded by his staff, the spring was lost; supposed to have found an | with their horses heads turned toward the batunderground outlet, as there was always a thefield. He (Hobson) was wounded about 10 swampy place below it. He thought it only a o'clock near the double log house west of the crossed on the pontoon and saw the General that he was on the safe side of the stream. He would like to know what has become of the 50th Ind., and hopes some of them will report immediately.

J. G. Bridaham, Co. -, 13th Pa. Cav., Rochester Mills, Pa., says the comrade who answered his inquiry as to the fate of Lieut. Henry Baker, Co. D. 13th Pa. Cav., says he was killed by a band of outlaws, commanded by a member of his own company, but gives no particulars of the affair. He would like some person to give a full account of the matter through the columns of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, the best friend of the soldier ever published.

J. H. Jackman, Cos. M and B, 7th Ind. Cav., Peru. Neb., says that at the fight at Guntown, Miss., June 9, 1864, Capt. Joel H. Elliott and Lieut, Sloane were wounded. He got them into an ambulance and started for Memphis, a hundred miles away. Lieut, Sloane gave him his horse, pistol, watch and saber to take care of. On the road he was compelled to leave Capt. Elliott, who also gave him his watch, saber and pistols to take to Memphis for him. The rebs captured Capt. Elliott, but Jackman arrived safely at Memphis with Lieut. Sloane and all the goods. Capt. Elliott was killed at the same time that Gen. Custer was by the Indians, and he would like to hear from Liout. Sloane, and hopes if he sees this he will write to him. Capt. Robert Myers, 80th Ohio, Cleveland, O., says that two daughters of Thomas Morgan,

who served in the 12th Ohio Cav., would be pleased to hear from any comrade who may know anything regarding him. He came home and lived with his family for a few years, went West, and has never since been heard from. His wife died about six years ago, and the grandmother raised the two girls. If Morgan is dead his children are entitled to pension, and as the grandmother is in very poor circumstances, any comrade who can furnish any information of their father will confer a great

favor upon these girls. Personal. Serg't Henry Myers, the gallant Color-Sergeant of the 89th Ind., who planted the first flag the Red River campaign, is a prosperous farmer of his old comrades who may happen in his

neighborhood. Comrade Milton Wells has changed his residence from Center, Wis., to Richland Center, Wis., and will be pleased to see any of his old comrades at his new residence.

Give Them Their Due. Alexander O. Ellis, Palmyra Post, No. 300, G.A.R., Palmyra, Mo., thinks Comrade J. O. Davis is right in asking the boys who were the blue to wheel into line, fix bayonets, unfurl the Stars and Stripes and march to Washington and demand from Congress their rights, besides giving Col. Matson a shake to arouse him from his slumbers, even if it has to be done at the point of the bayonet. If the old boys be left to get their dues. He would like to hear from some of the boys of the 24th, 25th and 32d Ohio who were with him on Cheat Mountain, Va., in the Winter of 1861, '2.

Our Constituents. Charles Bush, Co. F, Purnell Legion, and Co. List Md., Saline, Kan., thinks THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE surpasses all other papers in its advocacy of soldiers' rights, and for this alone should receive the support of every old soldier. But besides this, it is worth double the price of subscription for its other features, as the 'Fighting Them Over" cannot but be of interest to the men who risked life and limb to save

W. S. Hammond, Post No. 415, G.A.R., Lewisberry, Pa., says: "The soldiers of our vicinity are much interested in the stand THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE takes in reference to Presi dent Cleveland's vetoes, and are loud in praise of your paper. We think you have great influence, as you should have, among the old sol diers, and that you should be supported by the veterans. We hope every soldier of the late war will become a subscriber to the only friend the veterans have in this country."

Len S. Wilson, Co. L, 3d Iowa Cav., Lebanon

Mo., writes: "I wish to say to my old comrades that any of them wishing to procure good homes cheap cannot do better than to come to Laclede County, Mo. Land is cheap here now filling up with the best class of citizens, and while it has, to a certain extent, been neglected and passed by in the past, it is now receiving the attention justly its due. I can speak right where this town now stands, and on my And now, after a quarter of a century, the return to the old camping-ground I saw so vast made it my home ever since. We have a fine. thriving town, and a G.A.R. Post of over 200 information regarding the country and welcome all who can find it to their interest to

> Henry Hirse, Co. I, 36th Ill., Winchester, Mo., says that the rebel Gen. McCulloch was killed by Peter Pelican, of his company, at the battle of Pea Ridge, Ark. After shooting Mc-Culloch Pelican jumped over the fence which was between them, secured the General's gold watch, pulled off one of his boots, and was trying to secure the other, when compelled to retreat by a squad of cavalry approaching, which made him recross the fence at a lively pace.

Benjamin Arthur, Co. B, 77th Pa., Milton,

Ore., writes: "I wish to correct a statement in your paper of Sept. 13, 1888, in regard to the Fifth Brigade, Second Division, Army of the Ohio. You say the brigade was commanded by Col. E. N. McCook, and that he was wounded at the battle of Shilob. It was Col. Kirk that commanded the Fifth Brigade, Second Division,

he was wounded instead of Col. McCook. I am in favor of giving credit where it belongs." D. Miller, Co. K. 33d Ill., Sheldon, Mo., says: "I have been looking for some of the few survivors of the ill-fated steamer James Watson, that went down on the night of March 2, 1865, between Memphis and Vicksburg, to write of that tragedy. There was a small squad reseyed, and among them were three ladies. I have never read a word from any of the boys in regard to that terrible night, but by writing these few lines hope to call out some comrade who will write a full account of it. I have often wondered how many of that little squad are still on top of the sod. The next morning after we were rescued and taken back to White River to draw rations and clothing, I pulled off my boots and sold them to a comrade for \$10. I think he was a Captain of some Ohio regiment. If he is still living I hope he will write to THE NATIONAL TRIB-UNE and tell what he knows about it. If any comrade sees this that was in that wreck, I

Army of the Ohio, at the battle of Shilob, and

hope he will write a few lines at least." Xavier Strahl, Co. D, 35th Ind., Reno, Ind., enlisted Sept. 8, 1861; was never on leave and was never sick but one month. His brother Philip was killed at the battle of Lookout Mountain. He thinks he is the only soldier that was taken prisoner by a weman during the war. On the march from Murfreesboro to Chattanooga, Tenn., he was with a wagontrain. They stopped to rest because of the heat. They were short of rations, and he and a comrade went out to forage. He offered to buy some chickens of a woman, but she refused sell to the Yanks. He went to the hen-house and took a rooster, but the old lady came out with a revolver and got the drop on him, and held him there until his comrade came to his rescue and took the revolver from the irate woman and released him from the hen-house. Would like to hear from his comrades.

George McKinnis, First Sargeant, Co. D. 9th Ky., Gibbs's Crossroads, Tenn., has been watchng for something regarding his old comrades in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, but so far has looked in vain. He hopes they will wake up and say something about the brave 9th Ky. Nearly one-third of the regiment were Tennessecans, Co. D being entirely from that State. This company had six brothers in it by the name of Whitley, one being the First Lieutenant. One of these brothers died in Andersonville; the rest got home safely, and four of them are now living. The soldiers of his section are proud of the fight being made by THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE in their behalf, and think it would be a good thing to take some of the perplexing surplus and give it to soldiers who lost their health and shed their blood in saving the Union. He is disabled by a gunshot wound in the ankle, for which he draws the magnificent sum of \$6 per month.

J. C. Fuller, Co. D, 24th N. Y. Cav., Mansfield, Pa., says reading the letter of Col. Moore, 79th N. Y., where he speaks of Romer's battery, is reminded of the time when his company supported this battery at Spottsylvania Courthouse, May 10, 1864. It was his first experience of artillery firing, and he thought the day of judgment had come. The battery boys will remember the flat-footed cavalry company, they should see this communication. He would like some of the 24th N. Y Cav. to sound their bugle through THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE.

Joe H. Springer, Co. I, 1st Iowa Cav., Shickley, Neb., says that his company challenges the service regarding the number of persons of the same name belonging to it. They had four Davises, four Danielses, four Hawkses and four Williamses. What company in the U.S. service during the war outside of the colored troops can beat this? They were all brothers, too, which makes it "a little more binding." He thinks the account of the Centralia massacre given by J. M. Russell in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE of June 14 the most correct that has ever been written, and he thanks the Captain for the story. He was one of the boys who pursued the cutthroats, and knows the account

was absolutely correct. Corp'l Rice, Co. C. 3d Ohio Cav., Norwalk, O., thinks that Comrade William Long, Co. M, 4th Ohio Cav., is mistaken when he says the 17th Ind. did not have sabers on the Wilson raid, for he remembers that they were thus armed, and made one of the finest charges of that celebrated raid. He thinks the 17th Ind. boys must all be dead, or they would come out of their holes and speak up; or else they do not read the soldier's friend, THE NATIONAL TRIB-UNE. Would like some of Wilder's Brigade to write something. They were good fighters, and some of them must be good writers.

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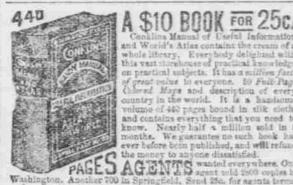


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